





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. Michael the Archangel Patron of Police Council #12173

September, 2018 "POLICE COUNCIL" NEWSLETTER

from
Your Grand Knight, Dennis P. Fitzgerald

GREETINGS, "POLICE COUNCIL" BROTHER-KNIGHTS!

I hope everyone had a safe, happy, and healthy summer; there are some very important events coming in the next few weeks (including a Degree-Advancement opportunity) - so let us begin with:

September Members Meeting

6:30pm -- This Coming Wednesday -- September 26, 2018
FOP Hall, 1412 W. Washington Blvd.

2018-19 Council 12173 Membership Cards

In addition to introducing our newest members, and reports given from myself and your Council's Financial Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Director -- as well as discussion of both old and new business -- our 2018-19 Council Membership Cards will be available to everyone who has renewed his dues for this new fraternal year.

Therefore, join with us on this coming Wednesday, pay your dues-renewal, and a brand-new signed, embossed, Council #12173 Membership Card will be handed to you!

Inventory Available For Purchase

We also will have on-hand the Silver "Police Council Star," the new "Window Decal," and Knights of Columbus clothing and attire available for purchase by our members.

We can accept cash, check, or credit card/debit card!

Advancement to 2nd & 3rd-Degree: Sunday - October 7th

Also during this coming Wednesday evening's meeting, we will have the sign-up form for all of our 1st-Degree members who wish to the advance to the 2nd- and 3rd-Degree levels as Knights. For just a few hours and \$15, you can attain "Third-Degree," and get a meal, too! Here are the specifics:

MAJOR DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

\$15 1:30pm SUNDAY - OCTOBER 7, 2018

ST. FERDINAND CHURCH BASEMENT

3119 N. Major Ave., Chicago, IL 60634

(Across the street from St. Patrick High School, Belmont-Austin area)

If you are attending, you might want to get there a 10 or 15 minutes early, and please remember to bring your new Council 12173 Membership Card.

Look for our Membership Director, *Sir Knight* Michael L. Bono (cell phone: 202-855-6800), who will be there at the welcoming table, to assist in the registration process and answer any questions you might have.

Dress is casual, with a collared shirt. Also, please remember to wear your "Police Council Star" (and see the reaction from members of other Councils!)

"Military Veteran Retreat" at the Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House: Sunday - October 14th

Our Jesuit Brother-Knight, Rev. Father Michael D. Class, SJ, has informed us of the opportunity available to our U.S. Military Veteran members on Sunday, October 14th.

The Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House, in Barrington, is sponsoring an all-day "Retreat" ... free-of-charge.

This single-day Retreat for veterans and their adult family members is a day for some low-key prayer, and is about spirituality, not religion. I expect it to be a profound and enriching experience, but advise those eligible and interested in attending to <u>reserve ASAP</u>; here is the information you need:

VETERANS RETREAT: "COMING HOME"

8:00am - 6:30pm SUNDAY - OCTOBER 14, 2018

BELLARMINE JESUIT RETREAT HOUSE

420 W. County Line Rd., Barrington, IL 60010-4011

(847) 381-1261

→ You May RESERVE ONLINE At: www.ComingHomeRetreats.org

MEMBER-BENEFIT: Chicago Patrolmen's Federal Credit Union MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY

As we announced at our August meeting, each and every member-in-good-standing of our Police Council #12173 - by virtue of his "Police Council" membership - is now eligible to join the Chicago Patrolmen's Federal Credit Union. For as little as \$10, you may open a new account with CPFCU.

Our contact person for this new program is one of our very own: Brother Knight John E. Gordon, whose office is in the Credit Union's headquarters, located across the street from FOP Lodge 7 Hall. When opening a new account, please remember to bring your 2018-19 Council #12173 Membership card, and a picture ID.

Here is the information:

John E. Gordon, Director of Sales Chicago Patrolmen's Federal Credit Union 1407 W. Washington Blvd. Chicago, IL 60607-1820

phone: (312) 252-9433

e-mail: JGordon@cpdfcu.com

Send Us Your "PRAYER REQUESTS" for Our Website: www.Knights12173.us

Have you visited our "Police Council" website, lately? There are a great many interesting items on our site, and we have a section for "Prayer Requests." Take a look at www.Knights12173.us and feel free to call or e-mail us your requests for prayers:

SEND US YOUR PRAYER REQUESTS

(202) 855-6800 PoliceCouncil@gmail.com

From our Council's Director of Special Events, Sir Knight Terry D. Cornell:

CIRCLE THIS DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR
THURSDAY - JULY 11, 2019
"POLICE COUNCIL GOLF OUTING!"

Gleneagles Country Club - Lemont, IL

DID YOU KNOW? WE NOW ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS!

Do you wish to pay your \$40 dues-renewal with plastic? You can! Want to purchase one of our distinctive silver "Police Council Stars" with your credit card? You can! And you do not have to have your own PayPal account (but if you do, that's OK, too).

Your Council can now invoice you for your \$40.00 dues, a \$35.00 Star, a \$5.00 Golf Outing T-Shirt...or any other purchase, event-payment, or donation! A credit or debit card (and a valid e-mail address) is all you will need.

Whenever you wish to use your credit card, just e-mail your request -- and details -- to: Council12173PayPal@gmail.com and we will send the appropriate invoice to your e-mail address!

Pay your \$40 Dues-Renewal with Plastic!



We Now Accept Payment by Credit Card!

<u>DUES COUNCIL BADGES T-SHIRTS EVENTS DONATIONS</u>

That's all I have for this month, but please REMEMBER: Please feel free to contact me at any time.

Your Opinion is Important Important to Me and Important to Our Council!

Faithfully,

"For God and Country"

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Wednesday - August 22, 2018 FOP Lodge 7 Hall